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Subject: Re: Suggested changes to LC 38 with comments

Dear Pat,

Good afternoon. Thanks for the call today and your assistance on this matter.

Per this draft, the Billings Clinic has the following comments. The Billings Clinic agrees with the comments submitted by MHA. In addition to these comments, the Billings Clinic offers its comments as the largest employer of physicians in Montana. The Billings Clinic does not feel there should be an equivalency between employed physicians and physicians with ownership interests for the matters addressed in LC 38. Furthermore, it is the Billings Clinic's position on Section 1 (disclosure) that Section 1 should come out completely as it is inappropriate and probably unworkable.

Thank you for your work on this issue. Kind Regards, Aimee

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>>> "Murdo, Patricia" <PMURDO@mt.gov> 5/28/2008 8:02:01 PM >>> Hi - Prior to Friday, May 30, I am hoping to get comments for a stripped down version of LC 38 to send to the Children, Families, Health and Human Services Committee. If we cannot come to agreement on a stripped down version, then we'll go with a he-said, she-said approach, leaving it up to legislators to decide based on comments reflected in the attached table.

The table shows the April 29 version of LC 38, followed by options/recommendations for changes, where available. This is followed by a suggested approach that incorporates some of the recommendations. (purple prose)

Please review this version and feel free to do a "track changes" approach if you have Microsoft Word. If that gets unwieldy, then I'll never offer that option again. (I think I regret it already.)

I know that people don't like various versions of a bill draft to review, but they also don't like getting something at the last minute. So this is second-to-the-last minute and I will hope to have a last minute revision before we mail to the committee on Monday.

Thanks to all of you who will take the time to look at this. There is a compilation of the